

NEWS OF BENNINGTON TOWN IN BRIEF

Miss Nellie Dowd was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Brew, at Hoosick Falls over Sunday.

Miss Maude Cronk and Joseph Cronk of Troy are visiting the Misses Bahan on Adams-st.

The rummage sale by the ladies of St. Peter's church at Godfrey's store has been such a success that the ladies will keep it open for a few days longer.

Four of the seven members of the new board of trustees elected Tuesday are Knights of Pythias, while the officials elected at the recent town meeting ten were Elks.

Mrs. Joseph Tacy left today for two weeks' visit in New York city. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. W. Theberge. While there she will purchase millinery goods.

Henry Rosier, of the firm of H. Rosier & Co., is spending the week in New York city finishing the company's spring purchase, the firm report an extra good start in spring season.

Last Thursday morning, March 12, in the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. W. A. Washburne, Elmer J. McKernan of Salem, N. Y., was married to Miss Edna M. Butler of Warrensburg, N. Y.

D. E. Moore on Tuesday issued a circular withdrawing as a candidate for street commissioner owing to the fact that he has secured a better position. In spite of his withdrawal he secured a considerable number of votes.

Rev. S. H. Watkins of Arlington will continue his Friday evening instructions at St. Peter's church this week. His subject to-morrow night will be "Christ Our Example in Work." All cordially welcome.

The pastor of the Second Congregational church will speak next Sunday morning upon Christian Living, considered as a daily matter. In the evening the subject will be "The Confession of the Younger Son."

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sweet and son of Cohoes have been guests a part of this week of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Haberly. On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Haberly delightfully entertained a small party of friends in honor of their guests.

Notice to Sell Real Estate of Susan M. Ranney, Deceased.

STATE OF VERMONT. In Probate Court, District of Bennington, ss.: Court held at the Probate Office in Bennington, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1908.

Present, John V. Carney, Judge. Wm. W. Ranney, administrator of the estate of Susan M. Ranney, late of Bennington, in said district, deceased, makes application to said court for license to sell all of the real estate of said deceased estate in the town of Bennington, for bonds and description reference may be had to the land records in the Town Clerk's Office in the town of Bennington, aforesaid, representing that the sale of said real estate will be beneficial to the estate of said deceased and those interested in said estate.

Whereupon it is ordered by said court, that said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the Probate Office in Bennington, in said district, on the 20th day of March, A. D. 1908, for hearing and decision thereon; and it is further ordered, that all persons interested be notified hereof by publication of notice of said application and order thereon, three weeks successively in the Banner and Reformer, a newspaper published at Bennington, and which circulates in the neighborhood of those interested, before said time of hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and, if they see cause, object thereto. By the Court. JOHN V. CARNEY, Judge.

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BURT BROS.
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Miss Hope Rudd has been spending a few days with friends in Hoosick.

Dr. A. G. Dana is attending the dental convention at Burlington this week.

Dr. A. B. Bixby of Poughkeepsie came Tuesday to visit his daughter, Mrs. L. H. Ross.

The F. M. T. A. B. Social Club will hold a social dance Easter Monday evening in Academy hall.

Miss Jennie Valentine gave an interesting talk before the Young Women's Club last week Wednesday evening. Her subject was a trip to Gloucester, Salem and Concord. Music was furnished by Miss Caroline Wilcox and Miss Hazel Hart.

The Banner and Reformer is in the throes of moving its mechanical equipment from Pleasant-st to Main-st this week and all of the many errors, negligences, and shortcomings of this issue due to the transfer we ask our readers to overlook.

Maj. A. B. Valentine and Col. Olin Scott have again shown their public spirit and interest in the welfare of the town by giving the land necessary to extend Scott-st through from Safford st to Park-st, where a street is much needed.

The next attraction of the season will be Guy Brothers' Minstrels at the Opera House next Tuesday evening, March 24. While most minstrel shows have been driven from the public this winter, owing to poor trade, this company has held its own, and is deserving of a good audience.

It is reported that the band will not accept the appropriation of \$200 made at the village meeting with the conditions attached that it give its services for Memorial day and the firemen's parade. The band believes that its work is rated altogether too low in comparison with what is paid in other places.

The Lincoln Iron Works company has sued the Rutland machinists union for \$20,000 claiming that it was injured to that extent by the strike of the men. The homes and other property of the men, forming the union, have been attached and the conflict is the most important of the kind in the history of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Warren were absent this week attending the funeral of Mr. Warren's mother, Mrs. Hannah Warren, of Green Island, N. Y. She was well known here, and was about 80 years of age. About two months ago she sustained a fractured hip from which she never recovered. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from her late residence.

Mrs. Frances P. Hulet has secured a verdict for \$25,000 against Frank L. Fish, receiver of the bankrupt Vergennes bank that was looted two years ago by Cashier Lewis. It will be remembered that Lewis borrowed \$25,000 from Mrs. Hulet to whom he was engaged and used the money to cover his shortage. The court finds that this money was obtained by fraud and should be returned.

The recent Fortnightly play, with the following cast, Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Ross, Miss Valentine, Miss Coffey, Dr. Ross and Mr. O'Donnell, together with the monologue given by Mrs. Russell, will be repeated at Clover Hall, Friday evening, March 20. These features of the entertainment will be supplemented by music. Admission 10 cents.

In the Methodist church Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. W. H. Washburne, will speak on "Witnesses," and in the evening on "Rest." The Epworth League Sunday evening at 6 o'clock, will join with the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor of the Congregational and Baptist churches in a service in the Congregational church.

Edward Winslow has moved into Myron Chandler's tenement on Brooklyn-st.

Mrs. Addie Elwell is spending several weeks with relatives in Greenfield, Mass.

N. A. Kennon of Bennington Falls spent last Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. C. T. Morse.

Clarence Morse, Jr., is visiting his cousins, Roy Smith and Lewis Lyons of Greenfield, Mass.

In the municipal court Saturday morning Judge Bates dismissed the so-called lottery charge brought against C. W. Petersen.

Mrs. Myron Chandler fell and hurt herself quite badly two weeks ago. She was under the doctor's care for some time but is now up and around again.

Cassius Peck, Jr., will deliver the Memorial Day address before Sixth Corps Post at the Soldiers' Home. Rev. Warren Morse has been invited to deliver the Memorial Day address before Hopkins Post, G. A. R., of Williamstown.

Parties on South-st early Wednesday morning were surprised to see the entrance to one of the business places draped in black. It soon developed that during the night some joker had done the draping because of the defeat at the village election of one of the candidates for whom the occupant had been a zealous champion. No harm was done.

H. D. Fillmore, Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson, Charles L. Jewett, and Miss Julia Mattison attended the funeral of Mrs. Henry L. Day at Cambridge, N. Y., Monday. Mrs. Day was a former well known resident of this town, the family removing to Cambridge some eight years ago. Gastric fever was the cause of death. She was ill three weeks. She is survived by her husband and one son.

The Rev. P. J. Gaffney, rector of St. Peter's church in Rutland announced Tuesday that he would personally give \$10,000 toward the erection of a fine four-story building to be used for an aged Catholic women's home. Some other money has been subscribed and the construction will be begun in a few weeks. Father Gaffney was formerly located here and is, well known to many of the village people.

The officers for the Bennington County Christian Endeavor Union for the year are: President, Rev. Frank R. Morris, Bennington; vice president, Rev. H. G. Furness, Arlington; secretary and treasurer, Arthur H. Cushman, North Bennington; executive committee, Rev. Chas. H. Peck and A. B. Hathaway, North Bennington. The banner for the best all round missionary work went to the Y. P. S. C. E. of the North Bennington Congregational church. Thirty-five dollars was raised for the work.

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Notice to Sell Real Estate of Aaron Ladd, Deceased.

STATE OF VERMONT. In Probate Court, District of Bennington, ss.: Court held at the Probate Office in Bennington, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1908.

Present, John V. Carney, Judge. Lawrence A. Ladd, executor of the estate of Aaron Ladd, late of Bennington, in said district, deceased, makes application to said court for license to sell all of the real estate of said deceased estate in the town of Bennington, for bonds and description reference may be had to the land records in the Town Clerk's Office in the town of Bennington, aforesaid, representing that the sale of said real estate will be beneficial to the estate of said deceased and those interested in said estate.

Whereupon it is ordered by said court that said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the Probate Office in Bennington, in said district, on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1908, for hearing and decision thereon; and it is further ordered, that all persons interested be notified hereof by publication of notice of said application and order thereon, three weeks successively in the Banner and Reformer, a newspaper published at Bennington, and which circulates in the neighborhood of those interested, before said time of hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and, if they see cause, object thereto. By the Court. JOHN V. CARNEY, Judge.

Estate of Catherine Healey.

Notice of Settlement and Application for Distribution.

STATE OF VERMONT. In Probate Court, District of Bennington, ss.: Court held at the Probate Office in Bennington, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1908.

Present, John V. Carney, Judge. Thomas J. Healy and Maria Hauser, executors of the estate of Catherine Healey, late of Bennington, in said district, deceased, present their administration account for examination and allowance, and make application for a decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased. Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that said account and said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the Probate Office aforesaid, on the 14th day of April, A. D. 1908, for hearing and decision thereon; and it is further ordered, that notice thereof be given to all parties interested by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Banner and Reformer, a newspaper published at Bennington, previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they may have, why said account should not be allowed, and such decree made. A record whereof is ordered to be made.

A true record. Attest, JOHN V. CARNEY, Judge. A true copy of the original record. Attest, JOHN V. CARNEY, Judge.

Miss Panny McLeod is in New York city this week, selecting spring and summer millinery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eddington will occupy the lower tenement in the Winslow house on School-st May 1.

The most of the men on the Wright lumber job in Pine Valley have quit work and several of them returned home Tuesday. Two of them, however, managed to get too much intoxicating liquor and were left here in jail.

Ruby, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Burbank of Bondville, died Tuesday morning of scarlet fever. Another little child is very sick with the same disease. Mrs. Burbank is a daughter of Mrs. Nelson Ellwell of this village.

The annual in-door meet of the athletic club of Vermont Academy was held Monday. In the three-legged race Harry Mattison from this village, class '06, was first, first in the potato race, third in the standing broad jump, second in the running broad jump, and third in the obstacle race.

At the First Baptist church the pastor, Rev. Frank R. Morris, will preach morning and evening. The sermons will aim to help those just beginning the Christian life. Announcements will be made regarding the opening of the new Sunday school and social rooms and the re-opening of the church auditorium. All persons not having another church home are invited.

The next attraction at the Opera House will be "The Crisis," on Wednesday, April 1. This play is James K. Hackett's version of Winston Churchill's celebrated novel of that name. The leading lady of the company which will appear here is Miss Isabel Irving, for years one of Frohman's galaxy of star actresses at the Lyceum Theatre in New York.

The son of Landlord Tyler, Goodell of Readsboro, a young man about 20 years of age, met with a painful accident Thursday last. While at work around the house he stepped on a nail that was sticking up through a board. It entered the ball of the foot to considerable depth. The young man was taken to the hospital in North Adams. No serious results are anticipated.

Delegations from both of the Grand Army posts and the W. R. C. surprised Superintendent Hannon at the Home Saturday. Although a surprise, the guests were none the less hospitably received and made to feel perfectly at home. The party took along with them some reminders of the occasion. The evening was pleasantly passed with social chat and dancing. Mrs. George Sullivan furnishing the music. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The marriage of Miss Jennie Peckham of Bennington to Wm. Brant, Jr., of Hoosick by Rev. E. Dudley Tibbets of Hoosick took place last week Wednesday, Miss Georgiana Brant, sister of the groom, attended the bride, the best man was Edward Peckham, brother of the bride. She was gowning in a traveling suit of blue serge. After a couple of weeks spent in visiting relatives in Connecticut, Mr. and Mrs. Brant will make their home in North Pownall.

The management of the Opera house last week definitely fixed the closing date of the season by booking for May 4 the popular favorite, Chauncey Olcott, in his latest success "In Old Limerick Town." After seeing Andrew Mack and other stars, Bennington theatre-goers will welcome once more the genial Chauncey, with his sweet voice and good humored Irish wit. Mr. Olcott is also much in love with Bennington and told the writer, upon the occasion of his last visit here, that he contemplated making this place his summer home.

How vigilant the police authorities can be at times, indeed! A Bennington tailor is hounded down and charged with running a lottery because he had some kind of a scheme for organizing "suit clubs" in which customers took certain chances on the furnishing of clothes. And at the same time every church in the county, or in the state, for that matter, might be holding a fair and peddling out cash and other prizes on numbered tickets, and nobody would pay any attention to it. Still straining at gnats and swallowing camels.—St Albans Messenger.

WEST ARLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Woodworth were at H. T. Eaton's Sunday.

James Horton left on Sunday for Jackson, where he began his season's work on Monday.

Mrs. Skinner, who has been in Arlington for a few weeks, has returned to her home here.

Norman Granger and family have removed from the Fleming tenement to some place in Sandgate.

Mrs. A. C. Morehouse closed her school in district No. 7 last week Friday. Several visitors were present and appropriate exercises were participated in.

There will be a meeting at the Hawley factory of patrons for election of officers and to transact other necessary business, Saturday, March 21, at 2 o'clock p. m.

MANCHESTER

G. L. Woodcock is spending a few days in New York.

Ernest Lathrop of West Arlington was in town Monday.

Percy Ladd is spending a few weeks with his mother at Mrs. B. C. Rodgers.

Miss Frances Fowler has returned from New York and is putting "Algonia" cottage in order.

Charles Canfield of Arlington was in town on Monday. He will work on the addition at "Bide-a-Wee."

Mrs. W. J. Crawford is confined to her home with an attack of rheumatism. Mrs. Derch is with her daughter.

Mrs. M. E. O. Marbury is spending a few days in New York with Mr. and Mrs. Combs, the latter once a teacher at the Seminary.

The Monday Club was postponed from March 16 to the 23d. It will be Miss Hermon Canfield's meeting and will be held with the Misses Helen and Hemenway at Burr and Burton Seminary.

Mrs. Ida J. Irish, eldest daughter of W. H. Fullerton of Manchester Depot, died March 6 at the Private hospital in Scranton, her home. She is survived by a husband and three daughters. The body was brought to Salem, N. Y., for burial. Mrs. Fullerton and Mrs. Bowman are still in Scranton with the family.

EAST ARLINGTON

Sugar-makers began their work early, but are not having favorable weather this week. An old farmer says however, "there'll be a big run yet."

W. H. Shaw went to Adams, Mass., to visit relatives. Mrs. F. H. Shaw is reported more comfortable. She is still in Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Mrs. Esther Rebecca Lambert died at the home of Charles Robertson, March 15, aged 53 years. Funeral services were held on Tuesday and the body taken to East Dorset for burial.

The funeral services of Mrs. Orlando Dwinell were held at Mr. Dwinell's home on Wednesday of last week, Rev. D. Perry officiating. Ruby Cole and Charles Dwinell of New York came up to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry returned from Gloversville, N. Y. Mrs. Perry's brother, Mr. Frank, died in that place very suddenly. Mr. Frank was found lying across a table where he had fallen, thereby upsetting a lamp, as it was during the night. The oil took fire and the house was filled with smoke. Mr. Frank's death occurred before any one reached him.

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Estate of Moses Ladd.

Will Presented. In Probate Court, District of Bennington, ss.: Court held at the Probate Office in Bennington, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1908.

Present, John V. Carney, Judge. An instrument, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Moses Ladd, late of Pownall in said district, deceased, being presented by Joseph Norwood, the executor thereon, named, for Probate, it is ordered by said court, that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session thereof, to be held at the Probate Office in Bennington, in said district, on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, against the probate of said Will, for which purpose it is further ordered that this order be published three weeks successively in the Banner and Reformer, a newspaper published at Bennington, in this State, previous to said time of hearing. By the Court. JOHN V. CARNEY, Judge.

Estate of Giustino Cominelli.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. Estate of GIUSTINO COMINELLI. The undersigned, having been appointed by the Hon. Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Giustino Cominelli, late of Readsboro in said district, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereof, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the house of Virgilio Pellicani, on the 14th and 15th days of August next, for 10 a. m. until 4 o'clock p. m. each of said days, and that six months from the 14th day of February, A. D. 1908, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims for examination and allowance. Dated at Readsboro, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1908. ANTONIO ZENI, GIOVANNI MARONI, Commissioners.

Village Improvement Society.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Article 5 of the By-Laws of the Bennington Village Improvement Society, a corporation organized under act of the Legislature of Vermont, approved Oct. 26, 1888, the annual business meeting of said Society will be held at the residence of A. B. Valentine in the Village of Bennington, Friday, March 27, 1908 at 3 o'clock p. m., to transact the following business:

1. To elect officers for the year ensuing.
2. To transact any other business which may properly come before the Society.
ALMA P. VALENTINE, Pres.
HELENA L. NORTON, Sec.

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90	" Gowns	45c to 5.00
115	" Drawers	25c to 3.00
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20	" Marguerites	\$2 to 7.00



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Fine Dress Stuffs & Silks

Arrived this week. Splendid exhibition of all the new weaves, including very special values in plain and fancy Brilliantines and Siciliannes. A profusion of the very fashionable sheer cloths, such as Voilles, Alabatross, Batistes, Etamines, Twine Cloths, etc. We have provide for your every Dress Goods want, whether it be a silk, wool, linen or cotton fabric.

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